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In re application of: Jan Hendrik BULTMAN

Appl. No.: **NEW NATIONAL PHASE
APPLICATION IN THE
UNITED STATES**

Group:

Filed: March 4, 2002

Examiner:

For: METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A SEMICONDUCTOR
DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

March 4, 2002

Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action and calculation of the filing fee, the following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

Please add the Abstract of the Disclosure attached on a separate sheet attached hereto.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute claims 1-10 as originally filed, which appear on pages 7 and 8, with claims 1-8 as filed in the Article 34 amendment of 15 November 2001. The pages containing claims 1-8 are marked "AMENDED SHEET" and are attached hereto. Following the insertion of claims 1-8, please amend the claims as follows:

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